Head Qrs Yorktown Va
Augst 12. 1861

Gov Clark.

Dear Sir:

In one of your orders I see that you order all staff appointments in the forces of the State to be vacated on the 20th of Augst. The Ordinance passed by the Confederate States accepting us, received us as a Regiment; and surely a Regt is not complete without its Staff. The Bill passed by the N C Legislature allowed the Col. to select his own Staff which was done in our case from privates chiefly. Surely no State is not going to turn out many of her best men, simply to gratify a whim of the Confederate States.

This order would affect our Qr. M. & Com. and junior M. D.; but our Adjt. was appointed from the Offrs. of the Corps of Cadets of the N. C. M. I. and they came in as Com. Offrs. under Gov Ellis but are received simply as privates by the Conf. States. I have protested against this on the part of the Cadets and stated that I regard their discharge as a simple act of justice as the conditions on which they entered service are not carried out.

Dr Potent our Adjt. is universally liked

and perform strictly his duty, neither could I hope to find some efficiency in the various dept's. of a Volunteer Regt.

Our Regt was organized as it is, by the legislature of N. C. and I think contains no other power, at least not an inferior one has authority to change it, or in fact to temporarily destroy its efficiency. Our Regt was organized, and partly in Va when the State seceded. Then certainly the purposes of the Conf States could not affect our organization in the slightest degree. I think N C should sustain her appointments, but if no Exception is made in our case, I shall apply for Commissions for my present Staff in a great Extent.

With Expressions of regard
I remain Yours &c
Charles C Lee
Lt Col 1st Regt N C Vol
Amidy Post of Yorktown

Head Quarters, Yorktown Va.
August 13th 1861

To

L. P. Walker

Sec. of war C. S.

Sir;

I see by a recent order of the Gov. of No. Ca; all staff appointments not made from the Lieuts, of the Regt must be vacated on the 20th of August; I write now to request that as far as possible you would confirm our present Staff. Our Adjt. Lieut J. H. Pole at was appointed from the Corps of Cadets of the N. C. M. Inst, and in accordance with the Bill organizing this Regt (or at least an understanding with the Gov.) those Cadets who had been officers in the Inst, should rank as Lieuts, Though the Ordinance receiving the Regt gives them only the rank of privates. I think under the circumstances considering the fact that he has been acting for three months his commission ought to be confirmed; In the case of our Qr. M. many of the same reasons hold good. The Cols. of Regts by the Bill organizing Regts. in N. Ca. had had a right to appoint his Staff as he saw fit, accordingly selected a good business man as Qr Master one he

knew to be such though he was only a private. I would respectfully request that his appointment be confirmed if possible. Dr Hines has been acting in the capacity of Surgeon of the post almost since our arrival here, in what manner his success, and Dr Crawel the Med. Director can attest, he was regularly appointed by Gov. Ellis Surgeon of our Regt. & holds with me that such an appointment is amply sufficient. but as N.C. does not intend to sustain her appointments as she ought to do, I would ask that his appointment be confirmed. He has shown himself an able physician and is generaly liked. May I ask your favorable consideration also towards our Commissary D.H. Wayt. To be deprived just now of all our Staff at once would temporarily disable the Regt. for I know of no one who could at once fill their places properly. Neither do I think we have an undue proportion of officers for the Regt. numbers 1408 men. while ordinarily they number only from 750 to a thousand men these 4 additional officers would thus represent some 400 men. I refer to the Adg, Qr. Mr, Com & 2nd Asst Surgeon

I am Sir

With Much Respt

Your obt Servt

Charles C. Lee

Lt Col 1st Regt N.C.V

Head Quarters 1st Regt N.C.V.
Yorktown Va Aug 19th

Gov Clark

Sir

I saw a printed order in the papers requiring all our Staff appointments to be vacated Aug. 20th 1861. I have received no official notification of the same, and shall take no notice of such an unofficial order. May I request an answer to my letter, on this subject, of last week.

I am Gov

With Respt.

Yours &c

Charles. C. Lee

Lt-Col 1st Regt N.C.V.

(In Charge)

Ship Point Va. August 29. 61

To Hon L. E. Baker!

Sir

In answer to your letter dated Aug 26th, and received last Evening I have to state that Comiscions have been issued from the A. G. O. for a Quartermaster, Commisary and Chaplain of our Regt. I would respectfully nominate Dr Peter Heins as Surgeon and Dr S. H. Baker as Asst Surgeon, these gentlemen have been acting in this Capacity since the regiment entered the Field, May 13th 1861. I would also nominate Cadet L. M. Poteat for Adjutant, he has satisfactorily filled the post up to this time

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Lieut. Colonel 1st Regt N.C.V.
(In Charge)

Headquarters, 1st Regt. N.C. Vols
Sept 2nd 1861

Major G. P. Cosby
A. A. A. G.

Furloughs have frequently been given to men & Officers of my Regt, without being Countersigned by me. Such being the case renders it totaly impossible for me to make a correct monthly return, as often I know not who are absent, or what changes have taken place, since the furloughs when thus obtained are not shown me.

Respt fly
Charles C. Lee
Lt. Col. Comdg Regt.

Camp Fayetteville
Sept. 8th 1861

Sir!

I have retained Cadet Carter R. M. here to act as Adjt. for me until Cadet Poteat returns, he will return as soon as released

I am Sir
With much Respect
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Regt N.C. Vol.

To
D. G. Martin
Adjt. Gen. N.C.
Raleigh

Camp Fayettville
Sept 10th 1861.

Sir!

At an election held Sept 5th, Lieut F. M. Parker was chosen Capt. of Co. "I". vice Capt. Bell resigned, & Sergt C. B. Corbitt 2nd Lieut. vice Lt. Parker promoted.

At an election held in Co. "A". Sept. 7th 1st, Lieut. W. P. Loyd was chosen Capt, vice Capt. Bridges promoted, & Sergt K. Thigpen 3rd Lt. vice Lt. Lewis promoted.

At an election held in Co. "K". Sept 7th 3d Lt. W. R. Edwards was chosen 2nd Lieut. vice Lieut. R. F. Hoke promoted & Sergt A. S. Haynes 3d Lieut. vice Lt. Edwards promoted.

I would respt fly request that commissions be forwarded to these Offrs. as above

To
A. G. Martin
Adjt. Gen. N. C

I am Sir
Yours &c
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Regt. N. C. V

Camp Fayetteville
Sept 16th 1861

Sir

Your communication, and the flag - sent by Lieut R. B. Saunders was received yesterday

Permit me to say for the Regt that the honor thus conferred by our State is duly appreciated, and that we will endeavor so to act, that every additional name inscribed on its broad folds, shall but add increased lustre to the already resplended pages of North Carolina's history

I am General
With sentiments of Respect
Your Obd Servt
Charles C Lee
Col 1st Regt N. C. V.

Camp Chastain Centreville
Near Lee's Mt Regt V.C.V.
Sept 29th 1861

To
C. Cooper
Adj. Gen. C.S.A.
Richmond Va
Sir,

I have the honor
to write to you on the subject of our Lt. Col. commission
but up to this time have failed to elicit a reply. As
it is highly important for me to know whether or not
you can confirm the appointment of Cadet J.M. Stead
as our Adjt., He was appointed by Gen. D.H. Hill
when he was Col. of the Regt. from the Cadets of the
Corps of Cadets of the N.C. M.I. now by Gov. Ellis of
N.Ca. was commissioned a Adjt. of this Regt but
an order issued from your Department required
these Staff Commissions to be confirmed by
the Dep't. C.S.A. I should be very much
gratified to hear at once what conclusion
you have arrived at in his case as
he has performed the duties of the position
since the organization of the Regiment,
until now its time is almost expired.
I should be very much gratified to

hear

have his services as his influence in every way is very beneficial to the Regt. & he is undoubtedly entitled to his pay for past services at least

I am Sir
Your Ob't Servant
Charles C. Lee
Lt. 1st Regt. N.C. Vols.

Sept 27. 1861

I would add to what has been said that Mr Poteat was commissioned as a Lieut. by Gov. Ellis to serve with 1st Regt. N. C. V. He then clearly comes within the terms of the regulations made with reference to Adjutants. As an Officer of the old Army I was well aware at the time of the appointment of Mr Poteat that he must be a Lieut. of the Regt. But as he held a commission as such from the State of N. Ca. I could not see then, nor do I now, any irregularity in the Appointment

With great respect
D. H. Hill
Brig. Gen. C. S. A.

Camp Clarke near Centreville
Head Qrs. 1st Regt. V.V.C.C.
Sept 25th 1861

To
C. Bolzee
Adjt. Gen. C.S.A.
Richmond Va
Civil

I have three times written to you on the subject of my Commission but as I do not know have failed to elicit a reply. As it is highly important for me to know whether or not you can confirm the appointment of Cadet J.M. Blair as our Adjt., He was appointed by Gen. D.H. Hill when he was Col. of the Regt. from the Ranks of the Corps of Cadets of the N.C. Mil. Inst. now by Gov. Ellis of N.C., was commissioned as Adjt. of this Regt. but an order issued from your Department required these Staff Commissions to be confirmed by the Dept. C.S.A. I should be very much gratified to hear at once what conclusion you have arrived at in his case, as he was performing the duties of the position since the organization of the Regiment, until over 40 days is almost expired. I should be very much gratified to

ours

Quartermaster & Paymaster Gen.'s
Office. Raleigh Sept 10. 61

Col. Charles C. Lee
Comdg 1st Regt N.C.V.

Colonel

I have the pleasure to send you by the hands of Lieut R.B. Sanders a regimental Color for the 1st Regt. N. Ca. Volunteers.

In accordance with the direction of the Convention it has on its folds the Name of "Bethel," which the gallantry and good conduct of the Regt. have already inscribed indelibly on the pages of North Carolina's history

I have the honor to be
Your Obdt Servt
L. O. B. Branch
Q. M. & P. M. Genl.

Answered Sept 16th

Hd. Qrs. 1st Regt. N.C. Vols
Sept 28th 1861.

To, J. G. Martin
Adjt. Gen. N. Ca.
Sir!

I have just received a letter from A.G.O. Richmond in which he says / our Regt. will hereafter be known as the 19th. N.C. Regt., and by your order. Sir! I protest against such an injustice to this Regt. The Convention of N.Ca. called us the 1st, ordered a flag to be presented to us in the name of the State as to the 1st. If we have done the State any honor if we have acquired any reputation to our name it will always be attributed to the body bearing the name of 1st, thus unduly depriving our brave men of their just rights; besides Sir! there is no reason for calling it the 19th, why not any other number as well? If we are to be ranked as State-Troops, I insist we were first in the field, and deserve the name of 1st. We were engaged in & Conquered the foe in the first engagement of any note, and the 1st. when we were successfull. We Conquered him as the 1st, in a victory which has no parallel in history, and shall all these honors be shorn from us for a mere change of name, which cannot be accepted

Respt
Charles. C. Lee
Col 1st Reg. N. C. Vols.

Head Qurs 1st Reg. N.C.V.
Camp Fayetteville
Oct. 6th 61.

To
Maj. Gen. S. C. Macbee
Adjt. Gen. Ns. Ca.
Raleigh N. C.

Sir;

Enclosed please find monthly report of 1st Regt. N.C. Vols. for Sept. 1861.

I am Gen. Very Resp
Your Obt Servt
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Regt N.C.V.

Hd. Qrs, 1st Regt N. C. Vols
Sept 30. 1861

To J. G. Martin
Adjt Genl. N.Ca.
Sir!

At an election held Septr 28th 1861 Capt. J.B. Starr was duly elected Lieut. Col. vice Col. Lane resigned, 1st Lieut Owens of Co. B. was chosen Capt. vice Capt. Williams resigned, and Sergt. R. L. Bryce 1st Lieut. vice Lt. Owens promoted.

At an electron held in Co "F". Sept 30th the following Offrs. were chosen

1st Lieut. F. N. Roberts to be Capt. vice Capt. Starr promoted
2 " J.A. Pemberton " " 1st Lt. " Lt Roberts "
3 " G B. Sloan " "2d " " " Pemberton "
Sergt B. Rushe " "3 " " " Sloan "

Be so kind as to foward commissions as above at your earliest convenience.

Lt. A. S. Haynes' commission has not been received, I suppose overlooked in yr office

I am Sir Respt'fly
Your Ob
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Regt N. C. Vols

Camp Rains
Oct 11th 1861

Sir,

I have the honor to request that Private J. P. Smith of Co. "B" 1st Reg. N.C. Vols be transferred to Genl Wills Brigade as Clerk to Maj. Boone, in the Qr. Mas. Dept. He is qualified under such circumstances to enlist for the war.

I am Sir.

Very Respectfully
Chas C. Lee
Col 1st Reg. N.C.V.

To,
Sam. Cooper
Adjt Gen C.S.A.
Richmond
Va

Head Qrs. 1st Reg N.C. Vol.
Camp Rains
Oct 9th 1861

Sir,

Capt Boone our Q. Mast having been promoted & ordered to report to Gen. D. H. Hill at Dumfries N.C. as Brigade Qr. Mast. I have the honor to state that I have appointed Lt. R.B. Saunders Co. "D" 1st Reg. N.C. Vol. Act. Asst. Qr. Mast. & to request that such appointment be confirmed as soon as practicable, as there is a good deal of business to be attended to, and our time will soon be out. Nov. 13th 1861.

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N.C.V.

Camp Rains
Oct 10th 1861

Sir:

Lieut Bryce's name in full is Robert Smith Bryce. Be so kind as to forward his commission of 1st Lieut. Co. "B" 1st Reg. N. C. Vol.

Respectfully
C. C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N.C. Vol.

To
J. G. Martin Adjt. Gen. N.C.

Camp Raines
October 21st 1861

Gen.

Enclosed please find Report of a Board of Survey on some tents belonging to this Regiment

Respt
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N.C. Vol.

To
Lt. Gen. Gen'l C.S.A.
Richmond
Va.

Camp Rains
Oct. 12th 1861

Gen;

Gen'l Order No 87. has never been received at this Hd Qrs.

We have 15 wagons and Teams of 4 mules each, besides one extra wagon the mules of which have escaped, also one Ambulance drawn by horses of No. 6. now ordered to be pressed. Knowing your wish they were all sent up day before yesterday and again yesterday; but no requisition having been received for them & not knowing whether they are further needed I have set them to hauling wood.

Respt—
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N.C. Vols.

Camp Rains Oct 14th 1861
Yorktown Va

Sir.

Our Regiments term of service expires on the 13th of Nov. 1861. Will you be so kind as to inform me when, and where it will be disbanded, and what disposition is to be made of their arms. By allowing them to take them with them the Regiment will reorganize within a few wuks, as I find from reports obtained from the various Cos. but very doubtful otherwise

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N.C. Vol.

To
Sec. of War
C. S. A.
Richmond
Va,

Camp Davis
Yorktown Va
Oct 14th 1861

General:

I write to day to say that if possible we would like to return to the State of N. C. in order to disband, & in order to take our arms back into our State. There is very probability of this Regiments re-organizing within a few weeks after their term of service expires, for by report from each Co. I find that a Co can certainly be raised shortly to be called by the name & to fill the place of the Co's now constituting this Regiment; provided the various Co's may be allowed to take their arms with them.

I think as they are now accustomed to their use, and will use them soon again against the enemy, it would be well to let them retain them, the Captains being as they now are, responsible for them. Your early attention is requested, To this, To us an important subject.

Resp—
Charles C. Lee
Col. 1st Reg. N. C. Vol.

To
Maj. Gen. J. G. Martin
A. J. Gen. N. C.
Raleigh
N. C.

Charlotte No. Ca.
Nov. 29th 1861

Maj: A. M. Lewis
Dr. Sir.

Enclosed please find check for $311.00 the balance due from me to the State of No. Ca. of the unexpended money furnished by said State for hospital purposes. Also my account current with the same fund and vouchers.

Also my accounts with the State of No. Ca. for the time I was in the service previously to being mustered into the service of the C. S., and accounting for County.

I am Sir
With Resp.
Charles Lee
(Late) Col. 1st Ry. N. C. Vol.

Camp Starr - Yorktown Va
Nov 4th 1861

Sir!

Presuming that you fully appreciate the inconveniences and many evils incident to disbanding a Regiment in the field, I write to request that if possible and consistent with the best good of the service our regiment may be mustered out at least as early as the the 8th (Friday) when I am apprised I can take the Regiment home as an organized body, even though I would have no legal power over them, I feel sufficient confidence in my influence over them to state that I will take the Regt home, and thus avoid these evils

I am Gen
Very Respt'fly
Yr obed Svt
Charles C. Lee
Col 1st Regt N.C. Vols

To
Gen S. Cooper
Aff. Gen. C.S.A
Richmond Va.

Col. Charles Lee in Account Current with the Hospital-Fund 1st Ky. N.C.V.

| 1861 | | | Dr | | Cr | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sep 5th | To Amount received from No. Ca | | | | 1000 | 00 |
| " " | " " refunded to Capts. of Cos. | | 210 | 00 | | |
| Nov 8 | " expenses of sending sick to Petersburg | (No 1) | 18 | 75 | | |
| Sep 12 | " Nurse (L. Couch) 3 mos. pay @ 11.00 | (No 2) | 33 | 00 | | |
| Nov 8 | " " ( " " ) " " " " " | (No 3) | 33 | 00 | | |
| Sep 3 | " Sick expenses Co. "C" to Sep. 3d | No 4 | 32 | 58 | | |
| Nov 8 | " " " " " Nov 8 | " 5 | 39 | 00 | | |
| Sep 14 | " Stove for Hospital & Wagt | " 6 | 42 | 00 | | |
| Oct 13 | " Clothing for Nurse (L. Couch) | " 7 | 8 | 50 | | |
| Sep 27 | " Gen. Hill (money advanced by him) | " 8 | 45 | 00 | | |
| " 12 | " Chickens for sick L. Couch | " 9 | 5 | 60 | | |
| July 17 | " Mr. Banks' Bill | " 10 | 13 | 06 | | |
| Jun 24 | " " " " (Lakehouse) | " 11 | 27 | 71 | | |
| July 11 | " " " " " | " 12 | 18 | 00 | | |
| Aug 25 | " Provisions for sick (L. Couch) | " 13 | 14 | 00 | | |
| Nov 25 | " Sick expenses Co "E" | " 14 | 68 | 00 | | |
| " " | " " " Co "D" | " 15 | 80 | 00 | | |
| | | | 689 | 00 | 689 | 00 |

Balance on hand ——— $311 00

I certify that the above account is correct and that the balance $311.00 has been handed over to Maj. A. M. Lewis.

Charles Lee
Col. 1st Ky. N.C.V.

Head Qrs. 37th Reg. N.C. Troops.
Dec. 5th, 1861.

Capt.:

I write to inquire if you can tell me when uniform clothing can be furnished to my men, for if not soon, I shall be obliged to let a number of them go home for some days to get some warmer clothing as one or more Cos. came into the field quite unprepared, understanding that uniforms would be at once furnished. If the uniforms cannot be at once furnished ready-made, the cloth furnished at once would be the next best, if neither, the men must get something for themselves, but I will not let them value & receive commutation for anything but good uniforms.—

Yours truly,
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Reg. N.C.T.

To
Capt. J. Devereux
A.A. Q.M.
Raleigh
N.C.

P.S. Regimental and Company Books for the 37th Reg have not yet been received here. Requisition was made for them several days since.

Head Qrs. 37th Reg. N. C. Troops.
Dec. 5th, 1861.

Gen. S. G. Martin,
Sir:

Some of my Cos. are barely above the minimum allowed by law; can I receive the authority to have them recruited to 85 or 90 privates

Your Obt. Servt.
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Reg. N. C. Troops.

Head Qrs 37th Reg N C Troops
Dec 9th 1861

Gen:

Joseph N Long a member of Capt Hartsog's Co, 37th Reg N C Troops, but who has never joined the Co since they came here is now staying away on the ground that he has been appointed a Capt, and his Co been accepted by the Gov.

I have reason to believe however that this is not so, and write to ask whether or not such Commission has been issued, in order to know how to act in bringing him to duty.

I am Genl
Yours &c
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N. C. T.

To
Gen J. G. Martin
Adj Genl N. C. T.
Raleigh N. C

Head-Qrs, 37th Reg, N. G. Troops.
Dec, 6th 1861

Gen;

The Commissions for our offis have not yet been sent from your office or at least have not been received here, I refer to those of the Company offis.

If not inconsistent with the good of the service I should be glad if my Regiment could remain here for a time, unless needed for service, as we have now upwards of 200 cases of measels and it will go the rounds of the Camp.

There is a man in Capt, Farthing's Co. who has recently come on, has not been sworn in, but has had to have one of the fingers of his right hand amputated and another is so mashed as to render it useless, and the physician thinks he can do no service for a month, he wishes to allow his brother a stout, robust, young man to take his place, may the change be made?

We have many men, some 70, absent without leave having never come on. I am taking steps to bring them in.

Yours &c
Charles. G. Lee
Col, 37th Reg N. G. S.

Head Qrs 37th Reg N.C.T.
Dec 11th 1861.

Gen Enclosed please find application for discharge for Private Edward Turner of Capt Reid's Co. He is 65 years old. By attending to the above you will much oblige

Yours &c
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg. N.C. Troops

To
Gen J. G. Martin
Adj Gen N.C.T.
Raleigh N.C.

Head Qrs 37th Reg N. C. Troops
Dec 10th 1861

Genl

I hereby request that the Appointment of Adj 37th Reg be given to Lieut. William Thorne Nicholson, and his commission as such sent on here. I would also respectfully request that it be dated to take effect from the 20th of Nov the date of the Organization of the Regiment as he has performed the duties since that time. His previous Commission as Adj of the post expired at that time.

Very Respectfully
Your ob
Charles C. Lee.
Col 37th Reg N. C. Troops.

Head Qrs 37th Reg N. C. Troops
Dec 12th 1861

Genl

Enclosed I forward two applications for discharge on account of disability from disease Your attention is requested

Resp Yc
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N. C. Troops.

Camp Lee, Feb 27th. 1862.
37th Reg N. G. Troops.

We. The Undersigned appointed a board of Survey, to Examine and report the condition of Capt Nickerson's Tents, (Co. F. 37th Reg N.G.J.) proceeded to the same and found 13 unfit for Service.

(Signed) W. G. Farthing Capt
( " ) M. H. Hart Lieut
( " ) W. W. Beard "

Head-Qrs. Post of the Neuse
Feb. 1st, 1862.

Gen.:

With your permission I shall withdraw the charges I preferred against Maj. R. E. Hill, as his design, he states, is to cease the irregularities which arise from drink, by ceasing to drink; and his apology in case of second charge, is regarded as sufficient, especially as it arose from, and was dependent on the first.

Very Respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Regt
N. C. T.
Commanding Post.

Head-Qrs. 37th Regt. N.C.T.
Feb. 10th 1862.

General:

Your order the other day concerning recruiting would seem to interfere with the permission I received from Gen. Martin to recruit my Co. not beyond their original strength. As I have a number of recruits now on the way, I write to know whether or not you would so modify your order as to let me receive them.

I am General,
Respectfully,
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Regt. N.C.T.

To
Brig. Gen. Gatlin
Goldsboro'
N.C.

Head Qrs Post of Sense
Feb 6th 1862

General.

I received from the A. G. Office a letter stating that my Regiments muster rolls had never been recieved there. Will you be so kind as to have them forwarded.

I cannot get my staff appointed until they are recieved there.

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N.C.T.

Brig Gen Gatlin
Goldsboro
N C.

New Berne N. C.
Head 2rs Post of Neuse
Feb 11th 1862

General:

Capt Herring's Art Co, raised near this place ~~for~~ some time last fall for local defence, and regularly mustered into the confederate Service for 12 months, of which you have a muster roll is now Stationed at this Post. Its Officers have never received any Commissions and the Capt was informed in Richmond at the War Office that N. C would commission his Officers or words to that effect. Some symptoms of insubordination have made their appearance, from the supposition of members of the Co that the Officers were acting without authority, having not received any Commissions. In order to obviate any difficulty, I would respectfully request that N. C. issue Commissions to the Officers of said Co.

I am General
very Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N.C.T.
Comg Post of Neuse.

To
Gen J. G. Martin
Adj Gen N.C.
Raleigh
N. Ca

Head Qrs. Post of Neuse
Feb 10th 1862

Sir;

By a letter received day before yesterday from Mr. A. M. Johnston, Mil. Store Keeper, at Fayetteville, I understand I am not to receive therefrom any more percussion muskets; I know your Excellency promised that we should be armed first, or at least after Colonel Leaventhorpe. He is armed. I do not understand how any one can issue an order in opposition to your Excellency's desires, and do I think the order of precedency would entitle us to arms, as well as the promise made me by yourself. Mr. Johnston wrote me he had arms, but had received another order countermanding the one you gave him to arm me. I hope your Excellency can manage to arm us at once.

I am Governor,
Your most Humble Servt,
Charles C. Lee
Col. Comdg. 3rd Regt. N.C.S.
Comdg. Post of Neuse.

To
Gov. H. T. Clark
Raleigh
N.C.

Head 2rs Post of Neuse
Feb 22nd 1862.

General:

I forwarded some time ago, certain charges and Specifications against Lieut J. J. Goodman of Co A. 37th Reg N.C.T. As his course of conduct has completely changed since that time and I have respectable assurances of good behavior in future. I would respectfully request permission to withdraw the charges.

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee.
Col 37th Reg N.C.T.
Comg Post

To
Gen Gatlin
thro
Gen Branch

Hd Qrs Post of The Neuse
New Berne. Feb 13th 1862

Major J. W. Cameron

In reply to yours of the 4th Col Lee directs me to say inform you that he forwarded, upon reception of your first letter an Account of the Nos of Offs, men & horses of his Command for whom transportation was furnished from Raleigh to New Berne on the 9th & 10th of Jan He directs me to again forward the same Account.

No of Officers 48
" " Men 844
" " Horses 6. 892.

The above is the full strength of the Regiment: There was absent from the Regiment 6 Offs & 99 men at the time it moved: of said absentees 1 Off & 44 men are still at home. About 20 of the men now absent Tendered their services to the Gov, but have never been with their respective Cos in Camp and although steps have been Taken to have them brought in, it is not certain that any of them will ever be with the Regiment. Of the 5 Offs & 55 men who have come to the Regiment since it moved to this place it is not Know how many were allowed to pass on Government Account. From the above you see that we brought with us on the 9th & 10th of Jan in all 787 men & 6 horses. Perhaps the R.R Agent can inform you about the Nos since transported.

Respectfully Yours &c Charles. C. Lee Col 37th N.C.T.

Wm. J. Nicholson Adj 37th Reg N.C. Troops.

Head Qrs 37th Reg N. C. T
Feb 14th 1862

General;

At an election held last evening to fill the place rendered vacant by the resignation of 2nd Lieut Wm B. Osborne; Private C. N. Brown was duly elected. Be so kind as to forward his Commission.

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N. C. T.

To, Gen J. G. Martin
Adj Gen N. C.
Raleigh
N. Ca

Head Qrs Post of Neuse
Feb 26th 1862

General:

At an election held yesterday for 1st Lieut, vice 1st Lieut S. N. Shepard resigned 2nd Lieut D. L. Clary was duly elected 1st Lieut and Geo. R. Gilreath was duly elected 2nd Lieut both of Co "F" 37th Regiment N. C. T. Be so kind as to forward Commissions for them.

I am General
Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N. C. T.

To
Gen J. G. Martin
Adjt Gen N. C. T.
Raleigh
N. C

Head-Qrs. 37th Reg. N.C.T.
Feb. 22d, 1862.

General:

At an election held yesterday for 2d Lieutenant in Co. "C" 37th Reg. N. C. T., Mr. Jas. R. Gillespie was duly elected, vice Jas S. Johnston resigned.

I am General
Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Reg. N.C.T.

To
Gen. J. G. Martin
Raleigh
N.C.

Head 2rs. Post of Neuse
Feb 14th 1862.

Lieut,

You have now been absent since about Dec 25th and up to this time your absence has been unaccounted for, in accordance with Art 171 Army Regulations. Unless you report for duty shortly after the reception of this I shall declare on Feb 24th the 1st Lieut'cy vacant and order an election to fill the place.

It is necessary for you to return at once or send in your resignation.

Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 34th Reg N.C.T.
Comg Post of Neuse.

Head Qrs. Camp Lee
March 2d 1862.

General:

An election held day before yester-
day for Co. "C" 27th Reg. N. C. T. to fill the place rendered
vacant by the death of 1st Lieut Thomas A. Wilson, 2d Lieut
D. K. Brown was duly elected 1st Lieut, and Sergt John D.
Pou was duly chosen 2d Lieut vice Lt. A. K. Brown promoted.

Respectfully
Your Obt
Col 27th Reg. N.C.T.

To
Gen J. G. Martin
Supt Gen N.C.T.
Raleigh
N.C.

Head-Qrs. 2nd Reg't, 1st Brig.
March 2d 1862.

General:

Many men from the counties where my Regiment was chiefly raised, desire to unite with me. Would there be any objection to receiving two additional Cos. for the war? There are two companies of my present Regiment, that I am afraid will not get a sufficient number of men to entitle them to a place in the Regiment after the Cos. is passed; these two additional Cos. could then fill their places if requisite. I think there will be no difficulties in getting the companies, if I can receive the proper authority.

Respectfully
Chas. L. Lee
Col. 2nd Reg. N.C.T.

To
Gen. J. G. Martin
Raleigh

[illegible] some of such things are absent. Excuse me for being so [illegible], but I have always been accustomed to express my feelings freely and unreservedly to my friends. Hence I speak all existing fears of an attack here, but my greatest one of attack is still to be felt in secondary effects; everything now is tending to Richmond, in Norfolk and the South side of James river. I have all along thought, that our forces are too much scattered, and we are inclined to divide and defend just as long as we undertake to defend every hamlet and village which militia can raised from of its own circle. Measures our policy must be changed, and though Mr Jefferson said that to devolve the evacuation of a State was a most terrible responsibility, still if we could succeed, we must assume such responsibility & not let longer suffer the enemy to select when and where we will fight. At present we may be said to have no [illegible] advancements on the sea shore.

(Confidential)

Respectfully yours,

Your Excy

Obt Servt

Jos. E. Johnston

Genl

Richmond

Va.

Head-Qrs. Dept. of the Ohio
March 1st. 1862.

General:

Upon inquiry, I find that the 1st Minnesota Regiment is doing nothing towards a reorganization, re-enlisting, for the War. Colonel Adams is doing but very little in that direction either, and Colonel Wilcox is by no means working such rapid progress as is desired. A few days afterwards of 200 who have reenlisted and new members are being rapidly increased. Would it not be well then to allow a few months of pay more to get an furlough absence, say fifteen days to those reenlisted to go home? This will put another entire force here as nearly ten years forward as re-enlisted, and will enable one in about 20 days to have my Regiment whole, and then I care not for more notice, than will be 7 months or 8 months, or longer, then are now required. Of course, I presume, requires it would be a matter of serious regret to me that the Regiment must be for so long a time dismembered, and therefore has a little practical difficulty arrangement. Such an arrangement as this would be far better so far as my Regiment is concerned, and so far as I am able to see, would better for the Service. The element of the natural support, and the reasoned confidence would it inspires, when we feel that by any possibility efforts are wanting, to make Regiments whole here, would more than double as much as 2 of the same Regt

Head Qrs. Post of Ohio
March 3d 1862

J. P. Benjamin
Sec. of War
Sir:

I understand that it is almost certain that the Medical Board has rejected both Surgeons Jos. Richardson and Ast. Surgeon J. H. Rice. Should Sir that be they may nevertheless be appointed, the Regt. take pleasure in stating that certainly Surgeon Richardson is the most efficient officer in the Regiment, and will not be backward in exposing himself. The Regt. had upwards of 800 cases of sickness in the Regiment, some 600 of which were mumps or the

Head Qrs Post of Norfolk
March 4th 1862

General;

I have this day in accordance with instructions from Gen G. O'B Branch, appointed Lieut John L Gillon Commissary of the Post of the Norfolk

I am General
Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N.C.T.
Comg Post

Gen
Gen R. Cooper
Adj Gen C. S. A.
Richmond
Va

Head Qrs Post of Roanoke
March 4th 1862

Major:

In accordance with Art 417 Army Regulations I report that I have this day arrested Lieut John L Talbot, Commissary of the Post of Roanoke

I am Major
Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col 37th Reg N.C.T.
Comdg Post.

To
Maj J.B.F Borum
Newbern
N.C.

would give no reason to the contrary. So after a reasonable time
I am ready to answer to anything I have to plead.

I am Sir

Respectfully

Your Obt

Servt

Lt. Col.

Copy of the last letter of Lieut Hunter to
Capt. Lt. Lomax &c. Knowledge of the Facts.

Lt. Col.

Head Qrs Dept of Texas
Galveston Nov 1862.

General:

I have letter containing certain charges alleged to have been made against Capt Richard Coleman 2nd Regiment Texas Mounted Rifles, receiving and the matter investigated in the following Order. Lieut Col G. H. Pierce, Capt Nichols 2nd Regt Texas Mounted Rifles, received his resignation, having enrolling, to which until some time in his County could be filed and said his County to some for which he has performed the duties of Major without Captain to date from the 1st of May 1862 and accordingly have accepted, for which Capt Coleman is charged, but he appointed report, and Returned these papers with the same — Second Private Richard Coleman 2nd Regt Texas Mounted Rifles made oath that the only charges preferred was for that he made some what free with Lieut Col Pierce, and that Col Pierce was free in his Captains quarters drank some wine and Col Pierce was free in his Captains quarters drank some wine and left Col Pierce with the Capt in Quarters during one of the week evenings of April when he was invited to call which he did and Col Pierce was there and left Col Pierce with the Capt in Quarters during one of the week evenings of April when he was invited to call which he did and Col Pierce was there and left

Head Qrs. 18th Regt. N.C.
March 7th 1862.

Sir:

I do not know your Rank in the Army, but presume you are informed by what authority I detained one of my scouts last night, and the purport of the dispatch he was bearing.

It is but few days ago, after issuing positive orders, prohibiting communication with the enemy, that we discovered a letter from some traitor to you (in Hatteras) inviting, him, if I recollect, to visit your Camp, which would be followed by the Yankee Army. Under the 26th & 27th Regiments with proper Officers to act upon Civil matters Regts. for 10 days, and &c. It states that no further pass will be granted for admission of others, and that such scouts will be issued at the expiration of 10 days allowing no more to be furnished, and that those scouts [illegible] the expiration of many 10 days until &c. The meaning of [illegible] 10 days there could not be understood at once but it is [illegible] to order received Yesterday which I now give.

Feb. 26th, 1862.
Head Qrs. [illegible]

To
Gen. L. O'B. Branch
New Berne
N.C.

[illegible]
Your Respectfully
Hunter C. Leach
Col. 18th Regt. N.C.T.

Head Qrs. Posh of Reuse
March 6th 1862.

General:

Your letter enclosing a copy of one from Lt. Col. Barber to Dr. Waring has just been received. I return the application of Private J. H. Price for transfer with the requisite endorsement. I knew nothing of Lt. Col. Barber's letter to Dr. Waring, which he will explain in a letter to you. He has not said an improper word to the men, nor done any thing such as your letter would seem to imply, which is in the slightest degree detrimental to good military discipline and decorum, as far as I know. He will explain his letter, I suppose, in a satisfactory manner.

I am General
Respectfully
Charles C. Lee
Col. 37th Regt. N.C.T.

To
Gen. R. E. Gatlin
Goldsboro'
N. C.

Head Qrs Post of Newse
March 7th 1862.

General:

In answer to your private note I feel myself bound to say that I would decline the position of Col of the "Bethel Regiment" if tendered to me. My reasons are as follows. 1st When our short term of service in Virginia (the pleasantest which perhaps any Regiment ever experienced) was over, I made use of every means in my power to induce the Regt to re-volunteer, and a most flattering and liberal offer was made them by the Sec of War, but I was constrained to report to him that I could accomplish nothing. Officers of the Regiment then asked me, whether I would accept the command provided they reorganized in a short time. I informed them, that if they would give me any satisfactory assurances of its reorganization I would accept. They thought there could be no doubt, but we entered upon no agreement and I could not wait quietly at home for three or four months until the various Cos saw fit to reorganize, while the Country was so much needing Troops in the field.

After remaining at home about 2 weeks I was tendered and accepted the place of

Head Qrs Post of Neuse
March 7th 1862

General:

Your letter enclosing several Nos of the Ordinance of the Convention concerning reenlisting has been received. I would state that our men have nevolunteered largely, before Na Ca passed its Ordinance, and under the Ordinance of the C. S. Over 500 have joined for the War, and proper papers prepared here. They have already received their bounty from the General Government. The Na Ca Ordinance is objectionable, in allowing a reorganization before the end of the present year of service has expired, and we found by Observation that under such a law we could do nothing, therefore we determined to work under the Confederate Ordinance which allows Co's to retain their present Organizations until the close of their present their first term of Service. I think the Convention made a mistake in that provision, for it might be a source of great expense, if the present officers were not generally reelected, as we would have to maintain two sets of officers. Returns of reenlistments will be made in a few days.

Respectfully
Charles C Lee
Col 37th Reg N. C. T.

Colonel of this Regiment; I have succeeded in bringing it to a much higher state of subordination and discipline, than the First Regiment ever attained. Seven 8os of the Regiment have reenlisted for the War making the continuance of the Reg certain.

Many were induced to revolunteer from the consideration (I say it not in a boastful Spirit) because I was at their head, and they had & have implicit confidence in me as a man and a Soldier. I feel certain that the 37th will make its mark during this war, and I have authorized them to hang me if I order them a surrender where there is land to escape upon. 2ndly The present is not strictly the Bethel Regement, as more than half its members did not belong to the original one. 3dly I have accepted a Position in the U.S. permanent Army, & been detailed to command the 37th during its continuance in service, by the President of the U.S.

I am General remaining most thankful for your kindness

Your Obt Servt

Charles C. Lee

Col 37th